

**Department of Community Health
OFFICE OF DRUG CONTROL POLICY**

Announcement

**New Certification Requirements for Individuals Providing Treatment or Prevention Services
Through the Substance Abuse Regional Coordinating Agency Provider Network**

The Michigan Department of Community Health, Office of Drug Control Policy has established new certification requirements for staff employed by agencies receiving funding through Substance Abuse Regional Coordinating Agencies and in certain job categories. These requirements apply regardless of the professional licensure held by staff.

It is recognized that these certification requirements incorporate a combination of education, supervision, experience and testing. Therefore, to permit individuals to meet these requirements, and for new staff to enter the field, recognition is given to individuals with registered Development Plans.

The requirements of each of the credentials listed below are different. Individuals must determine the credential(s) most appropriate to their personal education, experience and career goals, and their job requirements.

As of October 1, 2008, the Following Requirements Will Apply:

Treatment Specialists

- Any of the listed certifications offered through the Michigan Certification Board for Addiction Professionals (MCBAP): Certified Addiction Counselor-Michigan (CAC-M) and Certified Advanced Addiction Counselor-Michigan (CAAC-M); and International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) certifications: Certified Addiction Counselor-Reciprocal (CAC-R), Certified Advanced Addiction Counselor (CAAC), and Certified Criminal Justice Professional (CCJP).
- Any of the following approved alternative certifications:
 - American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM)
 - American Psychological Association (APA) specialty in addiction
 - Upper Midwest Indian Counsel on Addiction Disorders (UMICAD)(CADC-II, CADC-III Certification)

Or

- Are timely in their implementation of a registered Development Plan leading to certification.

Treatment Supervisors:

- Any of the listed certification offered through the Michigan Certification Board for Addiction Professionals (MCBAP): Certified Clinical Supervisor-Michigan (CCS-M) and IC&RC certification: Certified Clinical Supervisor (CCS-R).
- Any of the following approved alternative clinical supervisor certifications:
 - American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM)
 - American Psychological Association (APA) specialty in addiction

Or

- Are timely in their implementation of a registered Development Plan leading to certification.

Prevention Professionals:

- Any of the listed certifications offered through the Michigan Certification Board for Addiction Professionals (MCBAP): Certified Prevention Specialist-Michigan (CPS-M) and Certified Prevention Consultant-Michigan (CPC-M); and IC&RC certifications: Certified Prevention Specialist/Consultant-Reciprocal (CPS-R and CPC-R).
 - The following approved alternative certification:
 - Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) through the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing (NCHEC)
- Or**
- Are timely in their implementation of a registered Development Plan leading to certification.

Prevention Supervisors

- IC&RC Certification offered through the Michigan Certification Board for Addiction Professionals (MCBAP): Certified Prevention Consultant-Reciprocal (CPC-R).
 - The following approved alternative supervisory certification:
 - Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) through the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing (NCHEC)
- Or**
- Are timely in their implementation of a registered Development Plan leading to certification.

For More Information

The Michigan Certification Board for Addiction Professionals is an IC&RC member board and responsible agency for both certification and registration of a Development Plan. All information is posted on their website at: www.mcbap.com. Please call 517-347-0891, or send an email to mcbap@aol.com, with any questions.

Descriptions of Job Categories

Treatment Specialists represent clinical treatment staff of provider agencies. This does not include case managers, recovery support staff or staff that provide only didactic or other health care services such as nurses, occupational therapists, or children's services staff in women's specialty programs. Additionally, this does not include treatment adjunct staff such as resident aides or pharmacy technicians.

Treatment Supervisors represent supervisors, managers and clinical supervisor staff of provider agencies. This represents individuals that directly supervise staff at all levels.

Prevention Professionals are commonly referred to as program coordinators, prevention specialists or consultants, community organizers or program coordinators. This represents staff responsible for implementing a range or variety of prevention plans, programs and services.

Prevention Supervisors represent individuals responsible for overseeing prevention staff and/or prevention services.